

A copy of the Notification of Missing Requirements dated January 18, 2002, and Raw Sequence Listing Error Report attached to the same, are attached. The specification has been amended to include the attached Sequence Listing.

The attached paper and computer-readable copies of the Sequence Listing are the same. No new matter has been added. A separate Statement to this effect is attached.

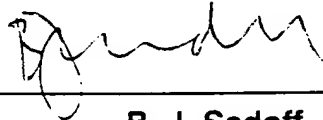
Nothing further is believed to be required in response to the Notification of Missing Requirements dated January 18, 2002, however the Office is requested to contact the undersigned if otherwise.

An early and favorable Action on the merits is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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